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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, DECEMBER 28, 2001

APPLICATION OF

BROADSTREET COMMUNICATIONS OF VIRGINIA, LLC

CASE NO. PUC010258

For authority to cease operations and discontinue all telecommunications services in the Commonwealth of Virginia

ORDER AUTHORIZING DISCONTINUANCE
OF ALL TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES
AND CANCELLATION OF CERTIFICATE

On December 17, 2001, BroadStreet Communications of Virginia, LLC ("BroadStreet") filed with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") an Application For Authority To Discontinue All Telecommunications Services in the Commonwealth of Virginia ("Application"). The Application further requested cancellation of all certificates issued to BroadStreet.¹

Pursuant to 20 VAC 5-400-180 D 7, BroadStreet cannot "abandon or discontinue local exchange service except with the approval of the Commission, and upon such terms and conditions as the Commission may prescribe." The Commission's primary

¹ BroadStreet was issued Certificate No. T-507 on September 13, 2000, in Case No. PUC000076. Certificate No. T-507 authorizes the provision of local exchange telecommunications services and is the only certificate issued to BroadStreet by the Commission.

concern with authorizing discontinuance is that adequate customer notice be given. BroadStreet's Application complies with a portion of our proposed Rule 20 VAC 5-423-20 A (Requirements for discontinuance) at subsection 2, which calls for a description of customer notification efforts and copies of written notices.²

The Commission finds that BroadStreet's customers should receive thirty (30) days' advance notice of discontinuance, although as BroadStreet notes in its Application, BroadStreet may be unable to continue service for thirty days after filing its Application due to underlying economic circumstances.

Nevertheless, BroadStreet should continue to assist its customers in transitioning them to an alternative provider.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- (1) BroadStreet is hereby authorized to discontinue all telecommunications services provided in the Commonwealth of Virginia, effective January 16, 2002, subject to the findings above.
- (2) BroadStreet's Certificate No. T-507 is hereby cancelled, effective January 16, 2002.

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² A copy of its customer notice, mailed December 10, 2001, is attached to the Application. The customer notice appears to satisfy the requirements of the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC"), codified at 47 CFR § 63.71. BroadStreet's § 63.71 Application to the FCC is also attached.

(3) There being nothing further to come before the Commission, this case is hereby closed.